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foreign investments in sensitive sectors and areas are looked at from security angle.

**Special courts for trial of cases under SC/ST Prevention of
Atrocities Act**

2312. SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR: Will the Minstrer of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether special courts for trial of cases under SC/ST Prevention of Atrocities Act, 1986 have been established in U.P, particularly Balia and Merrut districts;

(b) if so, when and how many special police stations for registering cases under SC/ST PoA act have been established; and

(c) number of cases registered under SC/ST PoA Act in which SC/ST complainants have been given monetary compensation to fight their caes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO GAVIT): (a) The Government of Uttar Pradesh has set up special courts in 40 districts for trial of offences under the SC/ST (PoA) Act, 1989, as shown in the Statement (*See* below).

(b) The Government of Uttar Pradesh has not setup any special police station for registering cases under SC/ST (PoA) Act.

(c) No data regarding number of cases in which victims were given compensation by State Governments is maintained by the Central Government. However, it is a statutory obligation on the part of the State Governments/UT Administrations to provide relief and rehabilitation to the vicitms in accordance with the provisions of SC/ST (PoA) Rules, 1995.

Statement

*Districts where Government of Uttar Pradesh has set up Special Courts for
Trial of cases under SC/ST (PoA) Act., 1989*

1. Farrukhabad 2. Unnao 3. Basti 4. Banda 5. Etawah 6. Hamirpur 7. Gonda 8. Kanpur City 9. Badaun 10. Sultanpur 11. Barabanki 12. Bulandshahar 13. Gorakhpur 14. Varanasi 15. Pilibhit 16. Etah 17. Deoria 18. Jhansi 19. Faizabad 20. Agra 21. Kanpur Rural 22. Beharaich

23. Lucknow 24. Jalaon 25. Meerut 26. Ghaziabad 27. Sidarthnagar 28. Mirzapur 29. Chandausi 30. Balrampur 31. Fatehpur 32. Ghazipur 33. Mainpuri 34. Kannauj 35. Gautambudhnagar 36. Hardai 37. Shravasti 38. Bagpat 39. Bareilly 40. Jyotibaphulenagar.

Cheating of foreign tourist at IGI airport by travel agents

†2313. SHRI BANWARI LAL KANCHHAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether travel agents at Indira Gandhi International airport cheat the foreign tourist; and

(b) if so, the arrangements made to protect foreign tourists from such elements?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) No, Sir. Only one case of cheating of foreign tourist at Indira Gandhi International Airport has been registered by Delhi Police during the period from 2004 to 30th November, 2006.

With a view to provide security/facilities to foreign tourist, Delhi Police has set up "Delhi Tourist Police" under which one vehicle each with one Sub-Inspector, one Head Constable/Constable and one woman Constable along with a driver is deployed at 10 important points including Indira Gandhi International Airport. The other measures taken to provide security/facilities to foreign tourist include keeping surveillance over the areas frequented by tourists including taxis/autos leaving airports alongwith tourist; running of Pre-paid Fare Booths; issue of complaint cards to passengers availing taxi facility at the airports; launching of a drive to verify the character and antecedents of taxi drivers operating at Indira Gandhi International Airport and issue of Public Service Vehicle Badges to them.

Setback to peace talks with ULFA

†2314. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.